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N Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the monthly minimum balances, and on Fixed Deposits at rates which may be ascertained tion. OHR. DE GUIGNÉ,

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Queen's Road, Hongkong, May 14, 1875.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANK. ING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL,...5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND,..... 100,000 Dollars.

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Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East. Hongkong, February 17, 1876.

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MENG-SHUI; or, THE RUDIMENTS OF NATURAL SOIENCE IN CHINA. By Dr. E. J. EITEL. One Volume. 8vo. Price,

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AT HONGKONG:-INLAND LOT 82 .- The well-known House and Offices lately occupied by Messrs A. Heard & Co., adjoining the Cathedral Com-

The Ground below the masonry retaining wall of the above, abutting on the Queen's

Annual Crown rent, \$390.48. MARINE LOT 111, WANOHAL - First-class Annual Crown rent, \$324.

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Reduced Annual Crown rent, \$10. AT YOKOHAMA:-LOTS No. 6 AND No. 27 in the Foreign

No. 6 is situated on the Bund, and comprises an eight-roomed Dwelling House, detached, with Garden all round, Offices, Godowns, Servants' Quarters and Outhouses. Area 1,064 Taubos of 36 square feet. Annual Ground rent, \$263.79.

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Applications for purchase, or further information, to be made to J. WHITTALL,

T. G. LINSTEAD, Trustees A. Heard & Co.'s Estate, 28, Queen's Road, Hongkong. Hongkong, February 1, 1876.

CAYLE & Co. have opened their first delivery of New Goods for the coming Season, to which they invite special atten-

Ladies' and Children's Readymade Costumes in a variety of Styles.

Mörning Wrappers in Embroidered Linen, Printed, Cambric, White Brilliante and Muslin.

French Toilet Jackets. Richly Embroidered Cambric Skirts.

A Large Assortment of Dress Materials in all the newest designs.

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CHINA MAIL Office. FOR SALE. "

Casks CLARET from Bondeaux. LANDSTEIN & Co. Hongkong, March 10, 1876,

ON SALE.

CHINESE READER'S MANUAL.

HANDBOOK of Biographical, His-

torical, Mythological and General Literary Reference,

WILLIAM PREDERIOR MAYERS:

Hengkeng, CHINA MATL" OPPION. For Sale.

FOR BALE.

Ex "OOEANIC." THIS Season's American HAMS and BACON in prime condition. Smoked

Golden Gata Baker's EXTRA FLOUR n Barrels and Tins. MACEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.

Hongkong, February 19, 1876. DE MONTEBELLO CARTE BLANCHE CHAMPAGNE.

Quarts, \$15 per case (1 dozen.) Pints, \$16 , (2 ,, 5 per cent. discount on 25 cases. Bourbon WHISKEY.

\$12 per case (1 dozen.) FOR SALE BY HEARD & Co. Hongkong, June 22, 1875.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

T Have this day authorized Mr J. Y. V. SHAW to sign my name per procura-

A. MACG. HEATON. Hongkong, January 1, 1876.

THE Undersigned have entered into Copartnership from the First day of

January, 1876, in the Business of Shipbrokers at this Port, under the style of MORRIS & RAY. A. G. MORRIS.

E. C. RAY.

Hongkong, February 3, 1876.

Bank Buildings,

NOTIOE. TATE have Established branches of our Y. Firm at Haiphong and Hanol. E. CONSTANTIN is authorised to sign by procuration in Tonquin.

LANDSTEIN & Co. Hongkong, December 31, 1875.

intimations.

STAFFORDSHIRE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, OF HANLEY.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £250,000. HE-Undersigned, having been appointed Agents in Hongkong and Shanghai

tor the above Company, are prepared to issue Policies of Fire Insurance at current ADAMSON, BELL & Co. Hongkong, March 24, 1876.

THE MERCHANTS' MARINE INSUR-ANCE COMPANY, LIMITED. OF LONDON.

SUBSORIBED CAPITAL, £500,000.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to issue Policies of Marine insurance at current rates, payable in London, India, Australia, New Zealand, Straits, Mauritius Java, Manila, China, Japan, California, &c., &c. ADAMSON, BELL & Co. Hongkong, March 24, 1876.

Note. - By the Company's Articles of Association it is provided that, after payment to the shareholders of a d.vidend of 10 per cent. per annum, one fourth of the residue of profits will be rateably divided amongst those Insurers out o whose business profits have been made during the year.

In the Goods of CAPTAIN LAWRENCE Young, Deceased.

A LL Persons having any CLAIM A against the above Estate are requested to send in Particulars of the same to the Undersigned on or before the 22nd day of

April, 1876. And all Persons being Indebted to the said Estate are requested to Pay to the Undersigned their several Debts without STEPHENS & HOLMES,

Solivitors for the Executors. 2. Olub Chambers, Hongkong, February 22, 1876.

IN CONSEQUENCE OF THE REDUC-TION OF THE PRICE OF THE "BHANGHAI COURIER AND

CHINA GAZETTE," ir will be the OHEAPEST DAILY PAPER IN CHINA and as a large

INCREASE OF CIRCULATION MAY BE CONFIDENTLY ANTIOIPATED, THE ADVANTAGE TO

ADVERTISERS to obtious,

Intimations.

LOST.

ON THURSDAY, the 23rd Instant, a Liver and White Suffolk SPANIEL, answers to the name of "SAMBO." Whoever will bring the same to the Office of Douglas Laprain & Co., will be suitably Rewarded. Hongkong, March 24, 1876.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

TIVIDEND Warrants for the Dividend to Dec. 31/75, at the rate of \$10 per bhare, can be obtained at the Office on or after 29th February. By Order,

D. GILLIES, Secretary.

No. 2, ClubiChambers, Hongkong, February 29, 1876.

OHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTIOE.

SPECIAL AGENCY of the Company ha heen Opened in London, under the Management of Mr WALDEMAR SCHMIDT, at 3, St. Michael's Alley, Cornhill.

> By Order, W. H. RAY, Scorstary.

Hongkong, March 28, 1876. A LL Persons having any CLAIMS against the Estate of the late A MARCUS DALY, and all Persons indebted to the same, are requested to communicate

immediately with the Undersigned.

H. LOWCOCK, Executor. Hongkong, March 21, 1876.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

I'HE Undersigned will sell by Public dispatch for the following Ports. Auction, on

THURSDAY,

the 30th Instant, at 2 p.m.,-The STOCK-IN-TRADE, GOOD-WILL, FURNITURE & FIXTURES of the well-known public house called the "BRITISH HOTEL," Queen's

The Furniture will be sold in lots. TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7. J. M. GUEDES, JR., Auctioneer. Hongkong, March 27, 1876. mc30

GENERAL WEEKLY SALE. ANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell

by Public Auction, at their Sale Room, Praya, on

FRIDAY, the 31st March, 1876, at Noon,-Silk and Alpaca Umbrellas, Eau de Cologne, Aromatio Eau de Cologne, Toilet Vinegar, Tooth Brushes, Orystal Finger Plates and Handles, Glazing Tools, Gauging Rods, Walkden's Black Writing Ink, Shoe Blacking, &c., &c.

A Large Treasury Chest. 25 cases Champagne Vineyard Cognac. F. Courvoisier and Curlier's

Chateau La Rose by Lopes Swaine Boord & Co.'s Old

100 Rifles. 50 Pistols 23 bolts Extra Navy Canvas, Nos. 1,

S and 4. 10 tubs Iron Wire, No. 11 to 15. 2 North China PONTES, will go in

lingle or double harness. TERMS OF SALE, -Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7. The Lot or Lote, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the

fall of the hammer. Hongkong, March 28, 1876.

> shipping. Steamers.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL The Company's Steamship "PATROCLUS" will be despatched on or

about the 7th April. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkopg, Merch 27, 1676,

Shipping.

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Steamers. FOR COOKTOWN, TOWNSVILLE,

BRISBANE AND SYDNEY.

The Steamer "CHEVIOT! Captain WATT, will be deapatched as above on or about the 30th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to LANDSTEIN & Co. Hongkong, March 20, 1876.

FOR COOKTOWN AND SYDNEY. The Eastern and Australian Mail Steam Co.'s Steamer "NORMANBY" will be despatched as above

on or about the 1st Proximo. For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,

Agents. Hongkong, March 24, 1876. FOR MANILA (DIRECT.)

The Steamship Captain THEBAUD, will be despatched for the above Port on MONDAY, the 3rd Proximo, at Noon, For Freight or Passage, apply to -A. MAGG. HEATON,

Agent. Hongkong, March 28, 1876. FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The Steamship "QUANGSE." Capt. Jones, will be despatched as above on WEDNES DAY, the 12th Proxime, at 2 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Sailing Vessels.

Hongkong, March 21, 1876.

NOTICE, The Undermentioned Vessels

having the greater portion of their Cargo and Passengers engaged, will have immediate FOR VICTORIA, V.'s I. The British Barque

"FORWARD,"

Captain John STRACHAN. The British Ship Captain ROBERT MORE. FOR PORTLAND, OREGON,

"GARIBALDI, Captain C. M. Noves. The American Bark "EDWARD JAMES," Captain Thos. J. Forbes.

The American Barque

FOR HONOLULU, S. I., AND SAN FRANCISCO. The American Bark "ALDEN BESSE," Captain Allen Noves.

For Freight or Passage, apply to ROZARIO & Co Hongkong, March 23, 1876,

FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Ship "OHARTER OAK," EMITH, Master, will load here and at Whampos, and will

have quick despatch as above. For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, March 27, 1876.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The 4 1 British Ship "MARGARITH, James Owen, Master, will load for the above Port, and will

have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, March 27, 1876.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The 4 1 American Bark "JONATHAN CHASE. OURTIS, Master, will load for the above Port, and will have quick despatch,

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, March 27, 1876.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The A 1 British Clipper Ship "SYDENHAM," FRANK BRISTOW, Master, will the shove Port, and will have quick despatch,

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, March 4, 1876.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The A.1 American Ship RAY T. LEWIS, Master, will load for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to vogel, Hagedorn & Co. Hongkong, February 1, 1676.

Shipping.

PRICE, \$24 PER ANNUM.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR PORTLAND (OREGON.) The A-1 American Ship "SAMUEL G. REED," WHITE, Master, will load for the above Port, and will have

quick despatch. For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, February 1, 1876. FOR NEW YORK. The A-1 American Ship "HAZE,"

WILKINSON, Master, will load shere and at Whampoa, and will have quick despatch as above. For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, February I, 1876, FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The A 1 American Ship " NIGHTINGALE? PALMER, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick dispatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, March 4, 1876.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The A 1 American Ship "MARY WHITRIDGE," CUTLER, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick dispatch.

For Freight, apply to

RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, March 9, 1876.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The A.1 British Ship "SHALIMAR. WALKEB, Master, will load here for the above; Port, and will have quick dispatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, March 4, 1876.

FOR HAMBURG. The A 1 German Barque "NICOLINE." 313 Tons Register, Captain AHLMANN, will load here and

at Whampos, and will have quick despatch as above. For Freight, apply to ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,

Hongkong, February 23, 1876.

Notices to Consignees S. S. ESMERALDA, FROM

MANILA

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per above Steamer are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Godowns of the Undersigned whence delivery may be obtained. Goods remaining in store after the 31st Instant will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Hongkong, March 27, 1876. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

-a. Maog. Heatyn

MARITIMES. S. S. IRACUADDY.

NOTICE. MONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. "Gange," from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the

at 10 a.m. Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consigness, before Noon To-morrow, requesting it to be landed here. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

the Undersigned.

Company's Godowns, whence delivery may

be obtained from Monday, the 27th Instant

Goods remaining unclaimed after Fat-DAY, the Slat Instant, at Moon, will be subject to rent and landing charges. No Fire Insurance has been effected. G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

Acting Agent.

Hongkong, March 24, 1876. FROM GLASGOW, LONDON AND SINGAPORE,

11HE S. B. Candia having arrived from the above Ports, Consigness of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk by the Undersigned, at their Godowns, whence and from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 3rd Proximo will be aubject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Agente B. B. Candia:

Hongkong, March 37, 1876,

Intimations.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned beg respectfully to inform the Public that they have Established themselves as

BUTCHERS AND GENERAL COMPRADORES.

At No. 1, Graham Street, And are prepare to Supply Fresh and Salt PROVISIONS and STORES; also, WINES, SPI-RITS and ALES of every description. MATHEW & Co.

Hongkong, March 25, 1876.

COAL DEPOT. QOALS of every description supplied to Steamers by the Undersigned. Orders may be left at the Godowns, Wanchi, with Mr J. MACLEHOSE, or LEONG AH YON, KWONGHING, Praya.

LANDSTEIN & Co. Hongkong, November 1, 1875.

PILOTAGE.

TESSELS inward bound can secure Pilots from Reef Island, from this date. Outward bound Vessels can secure FIRST CLASS PILOTS by applying the Undersigned at Praya Central, No. 29. The Pilot-boat's Flag is No. 5 at the main-mast.

Hongkong, April 5, 1875.

KRUPP'S CAST STEEL WORKS, Essen (Germany.) Sole Agent for China, F. PEIL,

HONGKONG, SHANGHAI, COLOGNE (Germany.)

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR NINGPO & SHANGHAL

The Steamship "AMOY," G. H. DREWES, Master, will be despatched for the above Ports TO MORROW, the 30th Inst., at 3 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSSEN & Co. Hongkong, March 29, 1876.

FOR BANGKOK. The Steamship "THALES," Capt. Cones, will be despatch. ed for the above Port on

FRIDAY, the 31st Instant, at Daylight, For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, March 29, 1876.

FOR TAIWANFOO (DIRECT.) The Steamer

"OYPHRENES" will be despatched for the above Port at Noon, on FRI-DAY, the 31st Instant. For Freight or Passage, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,

Hongkong, March 29, 1876.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.

The Steamship "DOUGLAS," Captain Burniz, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 2nd Proximo, at

Daylight. For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, March 29, 1876.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, TAMSUL AND

TAKAO. The Steamship "HAILOONG," Captain ABBOTT, will have

immediate despatch for the above Ports. For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, March 29, 1876.

FOR YOKOHAMA. The British Steamship Captain Butlin, shortly ex-

pected from Singapore, will have quick despatch as above. For Freight or Passage, apply to WM. PUSTAU & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 29, 1876. THE NEW TELEGRAPH CODE. Over 15,000 Words.

KITE have received a few Copies of this valuable Work for Sale. Price, \$2:50 per Copy.

Apply to MACEWEN, FRICKEL & Co. Hongkong, March 29, 1876.

TATANTED for immediate possession by the Committee of the R YAL NAVAL BEAMEN'S CLUB, a House suitable for a Club House, the present premises having been found too small. Rental about \$50 per | For MANILA.-

Apply to Captain P. H. COLOMB, B.N., Chairman of Committee. B. M. B. " Audasious," Hongkong.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS. March 29. Amoy, from Canton. March 29, Thales, British steamer, \$20, Coles. Swatow Mar. 25, General .- Jan-MINE. MATHESON & Co. March 20, Hankow, Brit. steamer, 2882 Symington, Shanghai Mar. 25, Ballast .-

Binusian & Co. Mar. 29. Glumis Cartle, British steamer. 1839, Dickie, Salgon Mar. 24, Rice. ADAMSON, BELL & Co. March 29, Venice, British steamer, 1270.

Watnon, Saigon Mar. 28, Rice. - JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Mar, 29, Montgomeryshire, Brit, steamer, 1146, Sturtock, Salgon Mar. 24, Rice, H.

Mar. 29, Kwanglilng, for Swatow, &c. 29. Iraouaddy, for Shanghal. 29, Norden, for Saigon. 29, Bayan (Russ. cor.)

OLEABED. Hermann, for Manils. Edmond Gressier, for Takat. Wm. Phillips, for Banckok. Amoy, for Shanghal, Hankow, for Saigon, Altona, for Bangkok,

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED. -- Per Thales, 134 Chinese. Per Glamis Castle, 4 Chinese. Per Venice, Mr E. Hnatck.

DEPARTED, -Per Mongolia, for Shanghai, Mrs Stephens, Mr and Mrs Totsnoff, two infants and ayah, Mr and Mrs Peil, two children and native servant, Hon. G. F. Seward (U.S. Consul-General), Messrs W. Rathbone, P. O. Evans, J. R. Middleton, and Evarts.

Per Kwangtung, for Swatow, Mr Witte for Foochow, Mr G. O. Scott. To DEPART. -- Per Teheran for Singapore

Miss Cooke. For Bombay, Mr H. Peston-For Southampton, Mr J. Gardner, jee. For Southampton, Mr J. Mrs J. A. Stewart and 4 children.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Thales reports : moderate monsoon and cloudy weather throughout. The British steamer Hankow reports:

fresh monsoon and thick weather through. | 11.80 The British steamer Venice reports: fresh winds and thick weather throughout.

The Brit. str. Montgomeryshire reports: first three days very fine weather, latterly heavy gale and thick weather. The British str. Giamis Castle reports: left Cape St. James on 24th inst. and had moderate breeze from S.S.E. to Paracels.

thence to port strong N.E. winds and thick weather. Passed the Madagascar in Saigon River bound for dock after discharging part cargo at Cape St. James, 14 feet of water in her hold.

Shipping Intelligence.

HOME SHIPPING. The following is taken from the latest London Papers :-

DHPARTURES. Jan. 6, Annie Braginton, from New York to Shanghal. Jan. 6, Ottercaps, from Cardiff to Hong-

Jan. 6, Lycka Till, from Cardiff to Hong.

Jan. 10, Echo, from London to Hongkong. Jan. 11, Titian, from Penarth to Hong-

Jan. 13, Antipodes, from Cardiff to Hong-Jan. 17, Alex. McNeil, from Cardiff to

Jan. 17, Onward, from Liverpool to Hong-Jan. 19, Sophie, from Cardiff to Hongkong. Jan. 20, Forward Ho, from London to Yokohama, &c.

Jan. 22, Flintshire (str.), from London to Penang, &c. Jan. 24, Victoria (str.), from Liverpool to

Jan. 81, Lord Macaulay, from Newport to Hongkong,

Feb. 1, Nearchus (str.), from Cardiff to Hongkong. Feb. 2, Evelyn, from London to Hongkong. Feb. 4, Undine, from London to Shanghal.

Feb. 5, Candia (str.), from London to Ohina and Japan. Feb. 6. Paul Marie, from London to Shanghai.

Feb. 6, Scotia, from London to Hongkong. Feb. 8, Orchis (str.), from London to China and Japan. Feb. 8, Kaisow, from London to Hong- Argentine Confederation, Bue-

kong. Feb. 8, Olympia (str.), from Hamburg to

Feb. 17, Glenartney (str.), from London to Shanghai. Feb. 17, Agamemnon (str.), from Liverpool

to Shanghal Feb. 17, Naples (str.), from London to China.

LOADING FOR CHINA AND JAPAN PORTS. At London.—Steamers via Sues Canal. Sumatra. Galley of Lorne.

Russia. Figura Castle. Viking ... Glenlyon. Sailing Vessels.

Cashmere. Moss Glen. At Liverpool.

... Glaucus (str.) Antenor (str.) Oregon.

CARGO. Per Teheran, for London, 332 bales Raw

Silk, 100 bales Coccons, 4 bales Waste Silk, 10 boxes Silk Piece Goods, 188 bales Wool, and 233 boxes Tea. For Continent, 194 bales Raw Silk. For India, 50 pkgs. Silk.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATINOS. MAILS WILL CLOSE :--

Per Ship HERMANN, at 11.30 a.m. on Thursday, the 30th Inst. For NINGPO & SHANGHAL. Per AMOY, at 2.80 p.m. To-morrow,

the 30th Inst. For BANGKOK. --Per THALES, at 8 p.m. To morrow,

the 30th Inst. For TAIWAN Per CYPHRENES, at 11.80 a.m. on. Friday, the 31st Inst.

For BANGKOK .-Per RAJANATTIANUHAR, at 8.80 p.m. on Friday, the 31st Instant,

instead of as previously notified. COOKTOWN, TOWNSVILLE, AND Per CHEVIOT, at 3.30 p.m. on Friday,

Mails will also be made up for all parts of East Australia and Tasmania. Private ship rates. For SWATOW, AMOY & FOCCHOW.=

the Blat Inst.

Per DOUGLAS, at 5 p.m. on Saturday, the 1st April. For MANILA. Per ESMERALDA, at 11.80 a.m. on

Monday, the 3rd April. For SAN FRANCISCO.-Per Ship LATHLEY RICH, at 11 a.m. Tuesday, the 4th April For YOKOHAMA & SAN FRANCISCO.-

Per QUANGSE, at 1.30 p. m. on Wednesday, the 12th April. For HONOLULU.—The Back COLOMBO. Postgoned till further notice.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.— The English Contract Packet TERERAN, will be despatched with the Mails for Europe, &c., on THURSDAY, the 30th Instant.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c. :-Wednesday, 29th Instant. 5 P.M., Money Order Office closes.

6 P.M., Post Office closes except the NIGHT Box, which remains open all night. Thursday, 30th Instant. Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and

Posting of all correspondence. 10 A.M., Post Office closes except for Late Letters. Registry of Letters ceases. [10.15 A.M., Letters may be posted on payment of a LATE FEE of 18 cents extra Postage until 11 A.M., when the Post Office CLOSES

Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom Via Brindisi or to Singapore may be posted on board the Packet on payment of a Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage. 1.50 A.M., Posting on Board ceases. ALFRED LISTER.

Postmaster General. General Post Office. Hongkong, March 16, 1876.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET. The United States Mail Packet BELGIC, will be despatched on SATURDAY the 1st April, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, and the United States, which will be closed as follows;--

Registry of Letters ceases. 2.80 P.M. Post-Office closes. 2.80 P.M. Correspondence may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 12 cents extra Postage

2.50 P.M. when the Mail is finally closed. Correspondence must be specially directed for this route, and if not fully prepaid

will be sent by British Packet. Letters, &c. can be posted for Canada, the West Indies, and other places named below, if sufficient American stamps are added to prepay them from San Francisco to destination. American Stamps are sold at this Office.

The charge for Registry is 8 cents in Hongkong Stamps, and 10 cents in U.S Stamps to those places only the names of which are printed in Italics. To all the other places named correspondence to San Francisco (8 cents.) The following are the charges on Correspon-

dence thus sent :-Per half ounce.

Canada, British Columbia, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward's Vancouver's Island, Bahamas, Nassau, New Provid-Aspinwall, Bermuda, Bogota, Carthagena, Costa Rica, Ouba, Curação, Fiji, Greenland, Jamaica, New Granada, Nicaragua, Panama, West Indies..... Hawaii, Newfoundland, 8 Guatemala, Mexico, Salvador, Venezuela, Belize, Greytown, Guiana, Honduras, Martinique, San.

ta Martha, Turk's Island, Brazil, Bolivia, Ecuador, Chili, Peru, & nos Ayres, Paraguay,..... 8 Newspapers (not over 4 oz.)

Books, &c., per 4 oz.,..... Any articles found enclosed in Newspapers Book Packets (as silk scarves, jewellery, &c.) will be detained. ALFRED LISTER,

Postmaster General.

General Post Office. Hongkong, March 20, 1876. MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET .--

The French Contract Packet HOOGHLY. will be despatched on THURSDAY. the 6th April, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom via Marseilles; to Europe, Saigon, Sin-Galle, Madras, Calcutta, Bombay, Aden, Suez, and Alexan-

The following will be the hours of closing -the Malls, &c. :--Wednesday, 5th April .-

5 P.M. Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes except the NIGHT BOX, which remains open all night. Thursday, 6th April .-A.M., Post Office opens for sale of

Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence. 10 A.M., Registry of Letters ceases. 11 A.M., Post Office closes except for Late

11.10 A.M., Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom or to Singapore may be posted on

payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage, until 11.30 A.M., when the Post Office Closes entirely. ALFRED LISTER,

Postmaster General General Post Office. Hongkong, March 23, 1876.

General Memoranda. FRIDAY, March 91:-

Lane, Crawford & Co.

Goods per Iraviaddy undelivered after Noon, subject to rest and landing Goods per Bemeralda undelivered after this date subject to rent.

SATURDAY, April 1 8 p.m. -Occidental & Oriental 8. S. Co. Steamer Belgio leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco. 9 p.m. Meeting of Zetland Lodge.

Normanby leaves for Cooktown and Sydney on or about this date. Warrants against unclaimed Dividends Bontis of Interests on Victoria Fire this deter

SUNDAY: Abril 2:-Daylight .- Douglas leaves for Swatow. Amoy and Fooshow. Monday, April 3:---

Noon. - Esmeralda leaves for Manila Goods per Candla undelivered Liter ible date subject to rent.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW. Shipping.

Noon.-English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe. 3 p.m.-Amoy leaves for Ningpo and

Shanghai. Cheviot leaves for Cooktown, Townsville, Brisbane and Sydney on or about this

Auctions.

p.m.-Sale of Stock-in-trade, Good Will, Furniture, &c., of the "British

TO ADVERTISERS.

It is requested that all advertisements be sent, when practicable, by 4 p.m., to allow of the early issue of the paper.

The publication of this issue commenced at 7.45 p.m.

DEATHS.

At Hongkong, on the 26th March, Mr E. ESTABICO. At "Longdon Hall," Shropshire,

RICHARD HEATLEY, Faq., aged 69 years.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29, 1876.

ACCORDING to a telegram which we cut.

a few days ago, from an Indian paper the Marquis of Salisbury has received a deputation for the suppression of the opium trade. It is stated that his Lordship "denied that the present action of Her Majesty's Government stimulated the traffic in opium in any way, and he could not, therefore, hold out any hope of legislation on the subject." In noticing this matter it is not our intention to enter at all upon the general question as to whether the British Government should endeavour, so far as its interests are concerned, to put a stop to the trade in Opium, and we only desire to offer a cannot be Registered through, but only | few remarks upon the assertion of Lord Salisbury that the present action of the Government does not stimulate in any way the traffic. This is an important matter, because, if we are to take the meaning of the telegram as it reads, it is clear that his Lordship mainly bases his refusal to interfere with the trade on the ground that the traffic is not stimulated by the Government, stimulate means to incite or instigate. If the word "growth" were used instead of "traffic" one would not have the slightest difficulty in arriving at a conclusion the opposite to that of Lord Salisbury. The Government, through its representatives in India, cer tainly does stimulate the growth, in fact it does more than that-it materially aids it. In regard to the traffic-by which we presume Lord Salisbury means the carrying abroad of and the trading with the drug-the case is different The British Government does not export, get other persons in any way export on its behalf, one ounce of opium from India to China. All the exporting to and trading in China is done by independent parties, who buy at the Government stores in India, and this is probably one of the strongest arguments in favour of Her Majesty's Government not interfering in the matter. The Government merely-grows the opium in its own territory, a long way by sea from China, and it takes not one step towards sending it

abroad, and trading with it there. Still, if we are to strictly interpret Lord Salisbury's words, we cannot admit that His Lordship is quite right in saying that the Government do not stimulate the traffic. The simple fact of growing, or aiding the growing of the opium, is really a stimulant to its exportation. If the drug were not grown in India it would certainly not be exported. Of course we know that if the Government did not aid the cultivation of opium in India, its production there would not be stopped, and that the exportation would still go on, but we have merely to do with what the Government is or is not doing in the matter, and Lord Salisbury says it does not stimulate the traffic in the drug. Were the Indian Government to sever its connection with the growth of opium and confine itself to taxing it, as we have urged they should do, then Lord Salisbury's assertion would be much nearer the truth.

ap6 Though somewhat late in the day, a casual reference to the case decided a short time ago, against the agents of the steamer Feronia, may not be amiss. complaint made by the Postmaster obligation, and one which, in the interests of the public, all steamer agents are equally bound to carry out. It may, however, be argued with some show of reason that a notice stating that a steamer will leave for Kamskatcha "on or about April 1st 18-" scarcely carries with it the obligation insisted upon of notifying such intention to the Post Instirance Co., to be presented before Office authorities. And here we think the Postmaster General rather strained his powers under the Ordinance in the date of the steamer's departure being five days ahead of that on which the summons was issued. Of course, tech-Postmaster's annoyance by ignoring all between Burmen and China. As might is surprising how she could have been kept

representations on the matter made to them in Chinese as well as in English. Probably from ignorance, or from their natural imperturbability of character, the native charterers provoked the action taken against them. But it might be suggested that, by pocketing such. discourtesy and reading the offenders a lesson in his fluent Cantonese, Mr Lister might with equal success have attained his object without seeming harshness, and thus helped to smooth over many petty vexations which arise to chartevers desirous of fulfilling the obligations of the P. O. ordinance. During the hurry of the Saigon rice trade it is often impossible to say exactly when a steamer may be ready to go. The Feronia, the steamer here in question, did not actually leave until the 25th, although circulated for the 22nd. Such steamers generally carry water ballast, and as soon as the rice can be discharged, they are ready to start on their downward journey, while in wet weather the discharging operations are often seriously delayed, so that a running fire of notices might have to be kept up between the charterers and the Postmaster. These facts, together with a consideration that a mail was being made up nearly every day for Saigon, tend to strengthen our suggestion that, in many cases where the letter of the law may be broken while the spirit has not been grievously sinned against, a little more forbearance might not be out of place. It is true that Mr Lister here proceeded on the ground of serving in blissful ignorance of the amount of strong language evoked by the everlasting notices which must necessarily, and rightly, pass between charterers and his office in those busy times.

WHEN Darwin informed us that man was descended from the monkey, we thought that man was lowered quite sufficiently, and that it would have been more satisfactory if Darwin had turned his attention to other work than bookmaking. However, it appears, we must go a peg lower. The London correspondent of a Shanghai newspaper writes: "I have just heard Professor Huxley lecture. He calmly proved that we were all vegetables, that there is no real difference between vegetables and men, and avowed his utter inability to distinguish one from the other." Where are we now? Our Shanghai contemporary wants to know if this is a new discovery, or simply a scientific proof of the old Scripture saying, "All flesh is grass."

THE Community of Hongkong have

grievance against Ping-ch'un, Chinese Officer of the third rank. This individual endeavoured some time ago to open his eyes by travel, and the Shanghai Courier is now publishing the extensive notes he made in the course of his tour. Among other places visited by Ping-ch'un was Hongkong. Now when we read in the earlier part of the notes that the traveller had embarked at Shanghai for this Colony we did expect | They found that it was all too late. to find further on that Hongkong had made some slight impression on the mind of Ping-ch'un. Considering that the Colonial, Office-List-speaks-of-this-Colonyas offering "a coup d'ail which blends. the wild scenery of Scotland with the classic beauty of Italy," we not unnaturally concluded, although aware that the "Colonial Office List" makes our Peaks about twice as high as they are, that at least, Ping-ch'un would devote a few this port yesterday forencon. pages of his note-book to a description of our city. This, however, is all he says of us :-- "Reached Hongkong this morning at 8 o'clock; the houses are built on the side of a hill, of which there are a great many here, otherwise the place much resembles Shanghai," and then he goes on to describe a ship in the harbour. Hongkong may consider itself "sat upon." But Hongkong may console itself for this reflection by knowing that this "Celestial" is altogether frightened, miserable fellow. In hi notes on the 30th he says: "When I rose this morning found the versel going very slowly, as we were in shallow water. Suddenly I heard a noise, as of thunder, which frightened me very much. The ship had grased a rock, but as she very strong, she rasped over it without difficulty," Although Ping-ch'un dismisses Hongkong in such a few wretched ines, he falls into ecstacies with the

14th. Very hot. At 2 o'clook arrived at the mouth of the river Meikong. The river is very crooked, sometimes going east, and then going north. For 4 % on both banks are large trees in abundance and of every description. My heart expanded at the sight It was fit for the gods to dwell in-a perfect paradies. Over 180 li we stopped, and a small boat went on shore. At 6 o'clock, on Ndon. - Cyphrenes leaves for Taiwanico neral was that, although agents of vessels the left bank were foreign houses, 10 or 12. are bound by law to give him the first This is a French possession, and of course made his appearance and invited him into Noon, General Weekly Sale by Messrs notice of the intended despatch of any the Government is French. The name of such vessel, to facilitate the business of the place is Penang, (? Saigon) country's the Post Office, defendant had not done name. There can be no doubt but that this crives a sum of Tls. 400,000, but for the is, on the face of it, a most reasonable past ten years it has not received any. It is very hot here. The roads here are very straight and in good repair, having fine trees, on both sides, smelling very swestly. The men wear the hair in a knot on the top of head, and have no whiskers. The women went go bare footed, and have no ornaments in their hair or ears. Indeed there is very little to distinguish the women from the meni"

country further south i-

THE SPIRIT OF THE MORNING

PRESS.

have been expected Sir Rutherford adopted a pessimist view of the subject, and beardly stated that the "great extent of continuous rapids, the poor condition of the cultivation, the great desolation that prevailed, and the wretched state of the roads spoken to by Mr Margary tended to confirm him (Sir Rutherford) in his Impression that the time had not come when they could expect to open a route into the interior of China for any purpose of profitable traffic." The Press considers, however, that there was little force in his arguments. The desolate state of the country in Kwei-chow and Yunnan is owing to the ravages of long-continued intestine struggles, and both provinces are in reality possessed of no means resources. What is most needed is a good road. The Press also thinks that if the project is to be persevered in that the present is a most favourable opportunity for carrying it out.

THE HONGKONG NATIVE PRESS. The Chinese Mail, in its Canton items, brings to notice several cases of harsh dealing on the part of those in charge of the numerous Customs barriers. ... It says according to the Penal Code of China a tariff of duties should have been exposed and published for general information. If this is not done, the law provides for the the public interest; but he is probably | degradation of all the officials concerned, even the Viceroy and the Governor coming in for a share of the disgrace. The observance of this clause in the Code has been neglected, and it behaves the officials to put it in force again, and had a tariff been published, the Customs officials would not ____ have been able to carry on their squeezes. [We recommend this clause of the law to the notice of the Colonial Government, Sir Arthur Kennedy having stated that he had failed to get a copy of the tariff from the Canton authorities .- Ed. C. M.] -The

same issue also gives a translation of the Queen's speech at the opening of parliament. The Chung Ngoi San Po, comments on the utility of iron-clads and recommends they should be built in place of forts, as for instance, the Sea-board of China is very extensive, and if forts were built at all points they would be too innumerable to be

The Universal Circulating Herald recommends the Chinese officials to pay attention to the native newspapers, as in spite of numerous false reports which find insertion therein, a great deal of what is true can be had therefrom. It instances the case of the Woosung tramway. The matter has been fully discussed in the native news. papers, but no notice was taken of the report. The officials paid so little heed to the matter that nothing was known of the tramway until it was an accomplished fact.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

H. M. S. Vigilant came out of dock this

We are informed by the Agents of the S. S. Glenartney, that she left Singapore for

H. M. S. Frolic went outside this morning to try her machinery, and returned this

WE are glad to learn that H. E. the Governor has been pleased to reward the master of stone-junk No. 483 with \$25, for the service his boat rendered in rescuing some Russian seamen belonging to the cor vette Bayan, whose boat was upset on the 19th inst. during a squall.

WE learn from the Japan Gazette that the Mensalsh arrived at Yokohama from Hongkong on the 18th, having H. E. Sir Harry Parkes and Lady Parkes on board. The health of His Excellency had improved. The same paper also announces that Mr F. da Roza had returned to Japan.

Upon the arrival of the Venice this afternoon a portly but innocent-looking Chinaman was observed sitting on the hatchway with the other Chinese passengers. He looked pleased owing, no doubt, to his having arrived here safely, but was somewhat astonished and indignant when a constable the police boat. He was arrested as a suspicious character, and he will probably now be required to explain by what means he makes such rapid passages, the young gentleman having apparently arrived from Singapore, Yokobama, Shanghai and Saigon all in one week.

WE hear by the S. S. Glamis Castle that the steamer Madagassar left Cape St. James for Saigon on the 24th, having 14 feet of water in her hold. It was currently reported in Saigon that she had been obliged to throw about 10,000 picula of rice over-The Press says that the speech of Sir board. It appears that she stranded on Rutherford Alcock at the meeting of the Britto Banks which are situated about 80 Royal Geographical Society was by no miles from Cape St. James, and was ashore nically, the agents were in the wrong, means calculated to inspire faith in the from the 19th to 21st instant, The whole and they appear to have intensified the success of the contemplated trade route of her fore compariment is store in, and it

today, brought on the Madagascar's passengers (Mr E. Hnatck and 38 Chinese).

Wz presume that but little importance need be attached to the rumoured disturbances in Halphong, as there is no official news whatever to hand on the subject. Independant de Saigon says :- " The unexpected arrival in our port of the gunboat Aspic from Haiphong, has given rise to many rumours. We give under all reserve what appears to us best founded. An insurrection which was said to have been fomented by the gentry, and those eternal "black flage" (pavillons noirs) in the pay of the Government of Hué, had broken out in the provinces of the South, and the Christian community of Mons. Gauthier is in considerable danger. Some grave disorders must have been committed, because a letter from this last to the Consul of Haiphong only preceded by a few hours the departure of the Aspic."

A correspondent writes to inquire how it was that our worthy Postmaster General omitted to mention the Parcel Past, in his lengthy report, as he must have had something interesting to say on that head. It is most likely that our new Postmaster could have enlarged on that subject to any extent, as his great difficulty seems to be condensation. But it is possible that the public have ceased sending mechanical dolls, steam engines, and torpedoes through the Post Office, and thus deprived our G. .P. O. report of much of its previous light endeavours to extend peace and good will and entertaining matter. The reports of Mr Lister's predecessor, though brief and clear in a postal sense, were models of official pomposity, and were pervaded with a mysterious air of superior knowledge which at first sight inspired awe but on nearer acquaintance provoked a smile. Mr Lister would be much more lucid if he were less exhaustive; and yet our correspondent here calls attention to an omission. By this time next year, we dare say, the P. M. G. will be able to discern the wheat from the chaff, and the result will be one of the most comprehensive and terse reports yet issued from the Office.

M. Dupuis, the explorer of Tonquin, in its issue of the 15th instant:-

"The Tribunal de Commerce at Salgon, at its sitting of the 14th March, revoked the judgment declarative of bankruptcy pronounced against M. Dupius on Nov. 9 last year. M. Dupius has accordingly regained the entire possession of his goods and the full exercise of his rights, of which he was only temporarily dispossessed. He takes passage by the next homeward M. M. steamer. Despairing to obtain reparation present. for the prejudices caused him during his expedition to Tonquin more than three years ago, -reparations which the Colonial Government is far from disavowing, but the settlement of which owing to imperious necessities it is constrained indefinitely to adjourn—he goes to ask from a high authority, that of the new National Assembly, the justice which not only all French charged with stealing four gold \$20 pieces citizens can claim from their country. but which he more particularly has a right a fireman on board the steamer. Yesterto expect for the se vices which the results | day morning the defendant came and asked of his expeditions have already rendered, for half a-dollar. The complainant told and in the near future must yet render, to him to go to his berth and he would find the commerce of the whole world. An some money in his coat pocket. The comeminent publicist who has taken special plainant had \$81.20 in a purse. Shortly interest in all that is connected with Mr afterwards the defendant informed the com-Dupius' expedition and in the affairs of plainant that he had got the half-a-dollar Tonquin, is now occupied in collecting the 11 right. After this the complainant went materials of a new publication destined to to his purse and it was all right then. throw a brilliant light on the events which | Sub equently, however, he missed it. The have taken place here since the arrival of | defendant was taxed with the theft, but he M. Dupius and his French expedition. We | denied it. A boy named William Du gan shall keep our readers well informed on deposed that he saw the defendant put this important question, in the solution of | three gold pieces into a bullook pen. which those who love justice will not fail place was dark, and the witness was watchto be interested. Whatever may be the ing him. Another boy-named Daniels protended necessities of a polity the griev- proved that the defeudant gave him the bus effects of which are known to every fourth gold coin, in order that it might be one, whatever may be the intrigues and returned to the complainant. The defendthe interested lies which make up the ant said he did not intend to steal the modiplomatic baggage of the Court of Hud, uey. He intended to return the purse to there are responsibilities which refuse to the complainant, but lost it. Six months' be overlooked, and there are rights which, hard labour. when impartially defined, cannot any longer remain unnoticed or trampled under foot."

A MASONIC FUNERAL.

Interments with Masonic honours are by no means infrequent in America; but as the distinctive features of the craft never appear at the grave unless at the request of the deceased, such funerals are very rare in this Colony, Mr E. Estarico, who was formerly proprietor of the Hotel d'Europe, died on Monday last, and according to his dying wish, he was buried in the Happy Valley Comotory yesterday afternoon (28th) with all the ancient forms and ceremonies of the order. Deceased was a member of the Zetland Lodge, and the dispensation having been obtained from the R. W. District Grand Master T. G. Linstead, by the W. M. of the above-named Lodge (Brother L. * Mallory), the Lodge was formed in the Masonio Hall, a large number of members being present, including the D. G. Master. The preliminary part of the solemn service having been gone through, the members unrobed and adjourned to the Mortua y Chapel, where the Lodge was re-formed, and the brothren accompanied the remains of the deceased to the grave in the following order :--

Tyler, Br. Jensen, Inner Guard, Br. Mathisen (acting). Members of the United Service Lodge. Members of the Perseverance Lodge. Members of the Victoria Lodge. Zetland Lodge Banner, borne by Br. Moore. Members of the Zetland Lodge. Deacons, Br. Farrell (acting), and Br. Keating.

Organist, Br. Danby, -Treasurer, Br. Sayle. Secretary, with Scroll, Br. Neate. Wardens, Br. Arthur and Br. Caldwell,

afloat. The Venice, which arrived here | Past Masters, C. P. Chater and A.G. Morris. Bible, borne by Br. White.

W. M. Br. Mallory. Chaplain, Br. Kidd. Pall Bearers-THE BODY-Pall Bearers. Chief Mourner, Br. W. R. Landstein. Stewards, Br. T. Grey and Br. Rivers.

Tyler, Br. Grey. Mallory, read the first part of the funeral apron upon the coffin. Brother Rev. R. H. Kidd (District Grand Chaplain) then offered up prayer, and each member dropped into the grave a sprig of acacia as an emblem of the "state of eternal duration" so gracefully alluded to in the closing address. The W. M. then closed the ceremony in the following words :-- .

"From time immemorial it has been a bustom among the Fraternity of free and accepted Masons, at the request of a Brother on his death-bed to accompany his corpse to the place of interment; and there to deposit his remains with the usual formalities. In conformity to this usage, and at the special request of our deceased Brother whose memory we revere and whose loss we now deplore, we are here assembled in the character of Masons, to resign his body to the earth whence it came, and to offer up to his memory, before the world, the last tribute of our fraternal affection; thereby | cattle, which are so shamefully misused. demonstrating the sincerity of our past country in which we live, with due deference to our superiors in Church and State, and with unlimited good will to all mankind, we here appear clothed as Masons, and publicly express our submission to order and good government, and our wish to promote the general interests of mankind. invested with the badge of innocence we humbly bow to the universal Farent, implore His blessing on all our realous and earnestly pray for His grace to enable us to persevere in the principles of plety and virtue. The great Creator having been pleased, out of His mercy, to remove our worthy Brother from the cares and toubles of this transitory life to a state of eternal duration, and thereby to weaken the chains by which we are united, man to man | may we who survive him, anticipating our approaching fate, be more strongly cemented in the ties of union and friendship; and during the short space which is allotted to our present existence, wisely and usefully employ our time in the reciprocal intercourse of kind and friendly and mutually promote the welfare and happiness of each other. Unto the grave we have resigned the body of our deceased friend, there to remain until the general resurrection, in favourable expectation that his immortal soul will then partake of the joys which have been prepared for the THE Independant de Saigon thus speaks of righteous from the beginning of the world and may Almighty God, of His infinite goodness, at the grand tribunal of unbiassed justice, extend His mercy toward him and all of us, and crown our hope with ever-

> nonor of ilis name, to whom be glory, now and for ever, Amen." The ceremony was restricted within the walls of the Cemetery, and we think it gained in impressiveness by being so. There were a large number of spectators

lasting bliss, in the expanded realms of a

boundless eternity! This we beg, for the

Police Intelligence. (Before James Russell, Esq.) March 29th, 1876.

Samuel Boyse, fireman S. S. Belgic, was and other money from one Edward King,

CUTTING AND WOUNDING. Tam Asow, a rope-maker, was sent to one month's hard labour for cutting and wounding a woman with whom he had some

BURYING ELREWHERE THAN IN A CEMETERY A man was charged with having buried the body of a dead child at a prohibited place. The defendant said he had reported the birth at the Registrar General's Office. and was told "can do." He had no money to pay for an undertaker, so he took the body and deposited it in an old coffin, Chun Achow a clerk at the Registrar General's Office, said a man made a report with a caution.

SUSPICIOUS CHARACTERS.

formed part of the godown walls had been prized open, and inside there was a quantity of copper nuggets. The defendants and to find security thereafter in \$100 for

Drunkenness. John Jones, 2nd officer S. S. Genva, was fined \$2 for lying drunk under a verandah.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE DISEASED MEAT CASE. To the Editor of the " CHINA MAIL." Bank Buildings, arch 29, 1876. Six,-I was last evening at West Point, and observed the Cattle being driven as usual at that hour to the Slaughter House.

make him run also. They were driven at a great pace down the steep Battery Hill amid the yells and howling of the men in Brother J. M. Emanuel, acting Director | charge, and I am quite sure they must of Ceremonies, guided the procession. have arrived at the Blaughter House in a The brethren having assembled round most unsuitable state, seeing that not more the grave, the Worshipful Master, Brother than a minute or two is allowed to elapse before they are killed. What can be the service, and placed the deceased's masonic reason for this extreme indifference about the animals being killed in proper condition, which in this place is far more important than it is in England? No butcher there would allow his meat to be so treated; and if he did he most surely would be unable to dispose of it. These circumstances irresistibly lead up to the conclusion that there must be something lacking somewhere in the way the meat is allowed to pass into consumption.

Private families cannot well do otherwise than send their Chinese cooks to the market, as they cannot afford to employ any other special agent to examine meat, but the public have always been under the impression that they derived some sort of security from the known care which taken by the naval and military authorities to appoint officers to this especial duty. It would be very interesting to know what is the ultimate destination of these poor

Will you have the goodness to forward esteem and our inviolable attachment to the | me copies of your paper containing an acprinciples of the order. With all proper | count of the proceedings at the Magistracy respect to the established customs of the in this case, that I may then place the matter before His Excellency the Governor. the General Commanding, and the Admiral upon the Station, who are, I am sure, willing to do everything in their power for the good of those beneath their care, and who alone are able to put an effectual stop to these abominations?

I am, Sir, yours faithfully. GRANVILLE SHARP.

> Ohina. BHANGHAI.

A special meeting of shareholders in the Racket Club was held on the 21st instant to decide what should be done with the East Court; all attempts to paint or stain the floor having been defeated by the saline exudations from the cement. It was resolved to relay the floor with Portland cement, coloured black.

On Saturday evening, about 9.30 o'clock. as the steamer Geelong was being moored at the Hongkew Wharf, a female servant to one of the Chinese lady passengers accidentally fell overboard between the ship and the wharf. She was rescued by some of the officers of the steamer and taken on to the upper wharf, where under direction of the Doctor of the steamer endeavours were made to resuspitate her, but without success. As usual, the friends of the deceased calmly looked on, and when called upon to assist quietly disappeared.

(Courier.)

On the 7th day of the 3rd moon Shen | Minister.' Pao-cheng, Viceroy of the Liang Kiang starts upon a round of military inspection, in the course of which it is believed that he will visit the cities of Chinkiang, Hwaishang. Soochow. Yangchow, and Changchow: all of which belong to the rank of western nations, in virtue of which the plea same time last year. Of this last quantity

A Chinese carriage-builder who had been employed at the Oriental Hotel, stole gold watch and chain valued at \$250 from a gentleman-residing-there, and was sentenced on the 22nd inst. at the Mixed Court to one hundred blows and one month's cangue.

There have been heavy rains and floods lately at Hangchow. The showers have been incessant and the streams overflowed in consequence: in one street the water is standing two feet deep and the city generally is flooded more or less with the yellow, brackish fluid.

We understand that the visit of Mr Tong King-sing to Foothow has for its object the establishment of a Chinese Banking Company or Corporation, under the auspices of Ting Jih chang. It is said that there are to be branches in London, Japan, and elsewhere. The principal shareholders are be the Nettie Merryman so long overdue certain Cantonese merchants who, we are I from New York? informed, have already subscribed nearly all the requisite capital, consisting of three hundred thousand taels.

A Chinese very nearly suffered the fate of Absalom the other night coming home from the fire. He was seated in a jin-ricksha, and the jin-rick-sha was running down the slope of the bridge at a most alarming pace, when the queue of the passenger got caught in the revolving wheel, thereby causing him-the scutest agony. He lost no time in awaking the schoes, and indeed the unfortunate fellow's yells were piercing. All endeavours to extricate his tail being of no avail, a charitable person who was passing by whipped out his pocket-knife and cut off about a foot of it. This done. the woe-begone Celestial proceeded on this way, bemosning the loss he had sustained.

"It is a long lane that has no turning." So we have thought during all these dry, of the birth of a child, but it was then still- dusty months of the past, and have been business of most of the inhabitants is in born, and the registration under those cir. longing for the turn to come. Hence it cattle. But, as it is an extensive province, cumstances was not necessary. Discharged was very refreshing to see the snow flakes | there are many chains of mountains and flying yesterday, thick and fast. The valleys, where wolves are very numerous, light fall has purified and sweetened the and often pay visits to the villages and atmosphere, but is utterly inadequate to The three men remanded for being found moisten beyond the surface of the soil. in the compound of the Pacific Mail Com- We hear of changes in governmental appany, were again brought up. Inspector pointments. It is said that H. E. Heu, ken cho, under whose jurisdiction the prove Batten said he had visited the place in who was appoined assistant Ambassador ince lies, intend to protect cattle from their question and found that a board which to England, has been superseded by Woo attacks. In Desember last year it was Taotai, late of the imporial Arsenal at Tientsin. In place of this foreign appointment, Mr Hait is likely to fill the position were sent to six months' hard labour each, of Customs Taotai at this place, and the the expense of taking the dead wolves to present incumbent is, we hear, to be transferred to the prefecture of the metropolis Twenty-three wolves were killed during Two Chinese gunbosts, the Hai Ching. one month between the 18th of the last and the Hein Hang, came to anchor at the December, and the 10th of January of this upper end of the bund on the 11th. The merchant steamers in port are, the Sin A meeting was held on the 18th at Nanting, the Shing King, the Ho Chun Bonnat's Hotel; and attended by many of and the Fung Stun. The former is a new the members of the Yokohama United Club | kok to Hongkong (inside the Bar), 271 bost just out from England, having interested in the catablishment of a new brought through freight. She belongs to Club in Yokohama, which it is proposed to per picul, 28 lay days. the C. C. S. N. Co., and seems will adapted gonduot on the non-proprietary system. to the trade. The rung Shun did some The proceedings were private. damage to herself, and a sampan with which she collided this morning, in coming laws and regulations cannot be broken with 221 cents per picul, 30 lay days. up to the bund. I have not been able to impunity! The other morning, the Captain

cited by the drivers; the third, a heavier Gistar Adolpus. Tartar, and Ching To. beast, was wantonly and cruelly beaten to The French gunboat Surprien left this morning, for Hongkong, we believe. March 14th

> It is not often we have anything very exciting to report from this port, and what I have to speak of now, relates to Chinese rather than foreigners. At the upper or Northwest end of the foreign Settlements. and within the limits of the French Concession, quite a Chinese village has sprung up within the past few years. This village i a cesspool of corruption. In it congregate and manage to exist, many of the vilest of the vile. A large number of Hun Hsing-tes live here by their wits, or from the proceeds of houses of ill-fame with which they are connected. These fellows have recently endeavored to establish a "New Carrying Hong," and to this end engaged a few coolies as porters. The leader in this movement is one Yuen Li-heien a bully, who formerly bired himself out to do other people's fighting. Some years ago he was banished to the Amoor for a period of ten years, for killing a man in one of these fights. He has managed to return before his time is out. He has a personal enemy named Wang-az who is connected with a "carrying hong" that has been established here for years. It seems to be the intent of this "new hong. to levy black mail, rather than engage in the carrying bussiness-only a few of its small membership being carrying coolies, while the rest are "blacklegs." One story says that Yuen and Wang met on the afternoon of the loth inst., quarrelled, and finally came to blows, which soon brought all their respective friends who were within hearing, to their aid. It is also said that a demand was made by the Hun Heing-teg, on the coolies of the old hong for a portion of their earnings. Being resisted in this, a free fight ensued, in which not far from 800 persons were engaged. Clubs, spears, and knives were freely used, but no serious damage seems to have been done. Some of the parties are now in the hands of the officers and it is to be hoped that Yuen and his accomplices, who seem to have been rath r quiet since his banishment, may receive their deserts.

We have had charming weather since the ight snowfall. To-day there is an unpleasant wind, but a bright sun." 19th March.

Japan,

The following notification refers to the forthcoming substitution of the European day of rest for the ichi-roku hitherto observed It is not improbable, we conceive, that this change would have been made earlier but for the fear that it might be assumed as a recognition of a Christian holiday. The change will be halled by all foreigners.

"It is hereby notified that up to the present time the 1st and 6th days have been observed in the Government offices as the days of rest. But, from the 1st of April next, all Government offices will be closed on Sunday and will, be open only until noon on Saturday .- Sanjo Saneyoshi, Prime

The probable causes for the notification venience of the Public Departments. the customs, habits and observances of the and ultimately obtained. It is curious to present stock consists of 400 chests. observe how this desire is moving the nation to strain every muscle of its organization in the desired direction. One is reminded of Lamarck's theory of the giraffe getting its says:long neck from the constant strain after the sweeter leaves of the upper branches. course it is in virtue of improvement that this will ultimately be obtained-improvement, however, which must be vital and organic, not merely external, and which cannot be acquired in a day or a year. The aim is admirable and should be encouraged in every way and by every one. But it should also be said that the reality of the fitness for jurisdiction will be, and should be, scrutinised in the most searching manner, so that every effort made in this direction should be as real and sound and solid as possible.

The Captain of the barque Truth, on arrival here, reported having seen two wrecks on Gough's Island, February 12th, one of them apparently having been but recently stranded. Is it not possible that this should

(Gazette:)

tered by robbers in Yokohama. Fifty-seven the culprits have been arrested. 485 pieces of clothing, 327 articles of various kinds, 94 ven, and 4 swords were the extent of property stolen.

The Choya-shinbun states that the Government is about to distribute sums vary. ing from thirty to fifty yen among the families of those Kagoshima-men who died in the Formosian Expedition, and that an annual pension of thirty yen will be given to those who were severely wounded in the tons, to Portland (Oregon), private. same expedition. A meeting, fully attended, of the Asiatic

Society of Japan, was held on the 16th at the Grand Hotel. An interesting paper on the Bo in Islands, prepared from his own experience during a recent visit, was read by Mr Russell Robertson.

tain the best pasture ground in Japan. The I thwang, 52 cents per picul, 85 lay days. pasture grounds, destroying many head of cattle. Every year many hundred head are killed or injured by wolves. The Iwata attacks. In December last year it was notified that any one who killed a he-wolf could blaim a reward of seven yen and any one killing a she wolf one of eight yen, the ken cho must be borne by cattle owners;

When will people learn that Japanese

were conducting as many ascertain how serious the damage is in of an English vessel lying in the harbour beasts. Two of these manifested a willing- either case. The sailing vessels in port had the effrontery to attempt, without a ness to run, to which they were being in are: Presto, J. H. Jesseu, Faro, Hermau, permit, to "take off" a puppy, but an energetic Custom House officer detected him and compelled him to procure a permit.

> on the 19th inst., in which 166 houses were per picul. burned to the ground, and seven diremen were badly injured. The first number of a new biographical

magazine, named the Meiyo shinshi, has appeared in Tokio. During last year, 539 policemen in Tokio were presented with small rewards for good conduct, amounting altogether to 380 yen. ,393 others were fined larger or smaller

Mr Ogasawara, a Kuwazoku, has presented 5,000 yen to the schools in Tokio; and Mr Satake, an officer of the ninth class in the war department, has also presented ,000 yen for the same purpose. The former has received a present of three gold cups from the government; and the latter has received a similar present, in his case, however, the cups being silver.

Mr Mayeda, a convert to the Christian religion, has been allowed to preach the doctrines of that creed before the criminals in the prison of the Higgo-ken.

The copper mine of Yoshicks, Bloching belonging to the Mitsu Bishi Co., produces 30,000 pounds of copper per month. That shortly after that date one parcel of 1,700 of Koldzumi is now closed.

Daijo Daijin to native masters of vessels, port for 1875-76. ordering them to keep a correct register of the names, addresses, and places of resid- from the Canton Waters for the past three ence, of all their passengers. It is further seasons :-ordered that no difficulty be thrown in the way of the proper authorities when examining the vessels.

NAGASAKI.

(Nagasaki Expres.) In the neighbourhood of Kamenosski. the mulberry tree is reported to be flourishing and much more attention is paid to its | The weather for some time past has been cultivation than formerly. A few years back they were permitted to grow wild and were reckoned a cumbrance to the ground. As in everything else, however, a revolution | arrivals. has taken place in favour of the mulberry plant and now the farmers perceive that it | past month are hardly worthy of notice ; can be cultivated with advantage to themselves and a benefit to the country.

Last Wednesday morning the Tokio Maru has a narrow escape from sinking a junk. | exhausted, and the sesson closes with an When about to cast anchor she came in export of 12,900 bales, against 6,900 bales contact with a large native craft and did in 1874-75. some damage to the boat besides outting a man's hand off.

COMMERCIAL.

Hongkong, March 29. Throughout the closing fortnight, the market for Bengal Opium has been languid. which is not unusual at this period of the year, when the absence of fresh produce, and the approach of the season of repairing into the country for ancestral worship, naturally restrict business amongst the natives. Notwithstanding this, large holders of the drug have continued firm, and the rate for both descriptions has kep steady enough, standing to-day at \$615 for Patna and \$590 for Benares.

To the previous noted receipts of 2,860 chests has to be added a further instalment of 100 chests. During the fortnight some 1400 chests have passed into the hands of alluded to are two-fold. The first; the con- the local consumers, against 450 chests at the corresponding fortnight last year. second; an approximation little by little to This, with the exportations, leave a stock computed at 1,600 chests, against 650 chests for jurisdiction over foreigners may be urged | 125 chests were Benares, of which kind the

> Mesers Heinemann & Co.'s Freight Circular, for Mail of Thursday, 80th March,

During the past fortnight, business has \$8.65 per picul for WB and Hole chop. been chiefly confined to Coast charters, for although a moderate demand exists for tonnage homewards, there is a scarcity at the moment of suitable vessels. Rates are nominally unchanged.

Homewards, demand is principally from the Philippines, though the number of vessels calling there "seeking" has tended to weaken freights. Only one settlement is reported during the fortnight.

Coastwise, a fair business has been done. Freights for the North are unchanged Several vessels have accepted the low rates lately ruling from Bangkok to this, and there is still some demand for both steamers and sailing vessels to load there. The Saigon market is very uncertain, freights

varying almost daily. For San Francisco, tonnage has continued in demand, and in addition to the charters reported below, the British ship Mary Whitridge, 862 tons, has been settled for this voyage in Shanghai, and the American During last month, 1,515 houses were en. | bark Nightingale, 722 tons, in Yokohama. The disengaged tonnage in port amounts to 5 vessels, relistering 8,249 tons.

> The following are the settlements:-British barque James Vinicombe, 638 tons. Takao (Formosa) to London, £2 15a par ton of 20 cwt. British ship Margarita, 864 tons, to San

> Francisco, private. American barque Jonathan Chase, 693 tons, to San Francisco, private. American barque Edward James, 529

American barque Alden Besse, 842 tons. to Honolulu and San Francisco, private. American 3m. sch. Marion, 366 tons, Whampon to Tieutsin (Timber) and back to Hongkong vid Newshwang, 65 cents per Gold Leaf. picul, 40 lay days. Australian Sovereigns, ...

German brig Irone, 266 tons, Whampon The province of Riku Chin is said to con- to Tientsin and back to Hongkong vid New-German 8m. sch. Formosa, 282 tons. Whampos to Tientsin and back to Hongkong vid Newchwang. 51 cents per picul. German barque Pallas, 421 tons. Tientsin (Timber) and back vid Newchwang, 60 cents per picul, 43 lay days. British barque Montego, 816 tons, Newshwang to Hongkong, 29 cents per picul.

British barque Portia, 301 tons, Takao to Yokohama and back to Hongkong the Newchwang, 50 cents per picul. French barque Edmond Gressier, 800 tons. Takao to Yokohama, 30 cents per picul, 28 lay days.

British barque Naworth Castle, 849 tons Keeling to Hougkong, \$2 per ton of & ewt., 14 lay days. French barque Chateatibriand, 384 tons Bangkok to Hongkong (inside the Ba.) 271 cents per picul, (outside the Bar), 221 dents per picul, 28 lay days. German barque Emma, 880 tons, Bang-

cents per picul, (outside the Bar), 22 cents American 8m. sch. William Phillips, 592 tons, Bangkok to Hongkong (inside the Bar), 274 cents per picul, (outside the Bar),

British barque Memento, 464 tons, Bange

koki to Horgkong (inside the Bar), 271 cents per picul, (outside the Bar), 22; cents per picul, 28 lay daya. British steamer Flamingo, 1209 tons, Bangkok to Hongkong (inside the Bar), 35 There was a large fire at Kanda, Tokio cents per picul, (outside the Bar), 30 cents

British barque Lord Macduff, 527 tons, to Saigon and back to Hongkong, 18 cents per picul.

German barque Wodan, 439 Saigon to Hongkong, 18 cents per picul. British steamer Montgomeryshire, 1147 tons, Saigon to Hongkong (2 trips), 191 cents per picul, 10 lay days.

British steamer Cawdor Castle, 1419 tons, Saigon to Hongkong, 20 cents per picul. British steamer City of Exeter, 767 tons Saigon to Hongkong, 17 cents per picul. lay days. French steamer Asia, 883 tons, Saizon to

Hongkong, 18 cents per picul, 8 lay days. Dan. steamer Norden, 778 tons, Salaon to Hongkong, 19 cents per picul, 8 lay days. British steamer Braemar Castle, 1425 tons, Saigon to Hongkong, 19 cents per picul. British steamer Flamingo, 1209 tons, to Singapore and Penang, private.

MESSES DEACON & Co.'s Canton Market Report, dated Canton, 28th Mar. says :--Our last report was dated 29th ultimo: Boxes Scented Caper was purchased at Tis. A notification has been addressed by the 18, and the shipment of this closed the ex-

The following is the comparative Export

Season 1875-76 19,556,454 lbs : Season 1874-75, 19,837,585 lbs; Season 1878-74, 15.751,597 lbs.

Of New Secson's Congou a few shipments have been made from this and Macao, but the quantity has been very small : the teas have not been generally shown on the market and prices have not transpired. very unfavorable and the leaf appears to have suffered somewhat in consequence, an improvement is however expected in later

SILE. -- Settlements of Tastles reel in the they consist of 87 bales purchased two weeks ago, since when no transaction has taken place. The stock of all classes is

Nothing regarding prospects for coming season can be learned for at least two weeks. Re-recis have continued in request, and 330 boxes are said to have been settled under contract. This description of steple is now also out of stock.

Long-reels.—Only 25 piculs have best bought for export to India. Waste. -400 to 500 bales of No. 2 quality have been contracted/for. We have no quotations to supply.

SETTLEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

1875-76. **1874-75.** For Europe, 37 bales, 500 bales United States.

&c., Re-reels,...330 boxes. 590 boxes. Bombay,..... 25 piculs 100 piculs. EXPORT FOR SEASON, TO DATE. **1875-76. 1874-75.**

For Europe,......12,900 bls. 8,243 bales. United States &c., Re-reels,5,032 bxs. 5,307 boxes. Bombay,.....3,550 pls. 4,345 piculs. Waste......4,020 bis. 5,813 bales.

Cocoons, 974 bls. 1,491 bales. IMPORIS. LEAD. -- A fair demand has existed during the past month and prices have hardened for cargo Lead, quotations closing at \$8.50 a \$8.55 per picul for cargo and \$8.60 a

QUICKSILVER.—Prices have advanced to \$92 a \$93 picul. SHIPPING. The rate of freight to London per steamer is £2.15 per ton of 40 cubic feet.

LOADING AND ON THE BERTH. -At Whampoa. None. DEPARTURES. - From Whampon, None,

Quotations.

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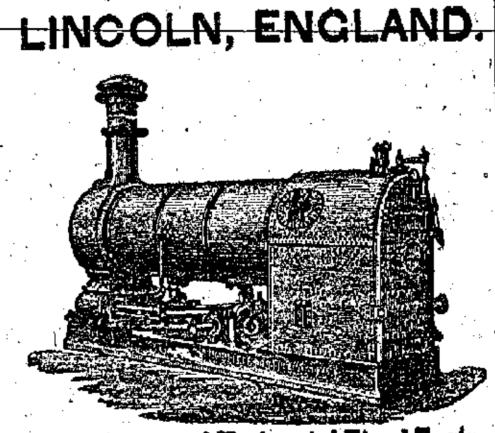
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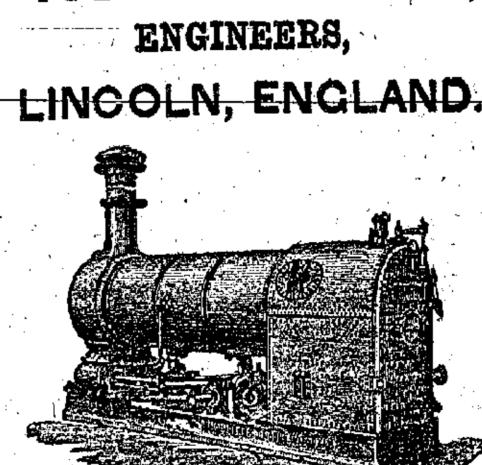
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